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October 19, 1960

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

I refer to your letter of September 27, 1960 in which you request recent information concerning Francis Gary Powers, the pilot of the U-2 aircraft that came down over Soviet territory on May 1, 1960.

As you may know, a Soviet military tribunal on August 19, 1960 sentenced Mr. Powers to "deprivation of freedom" for ten years, to be counted from May 1. The terms of the sentence specify that the first three years are to be served in prison.

Despite its repeated efforts, our Embassy at Moscow has thus far not been permitted access to Mr. Powers, nor has it yet been informed of his exact whereabouts.

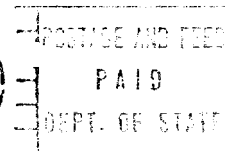
I regret not being able to comply with your specific request but hope that the information provided will be of interest.

Sincerely yours,

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